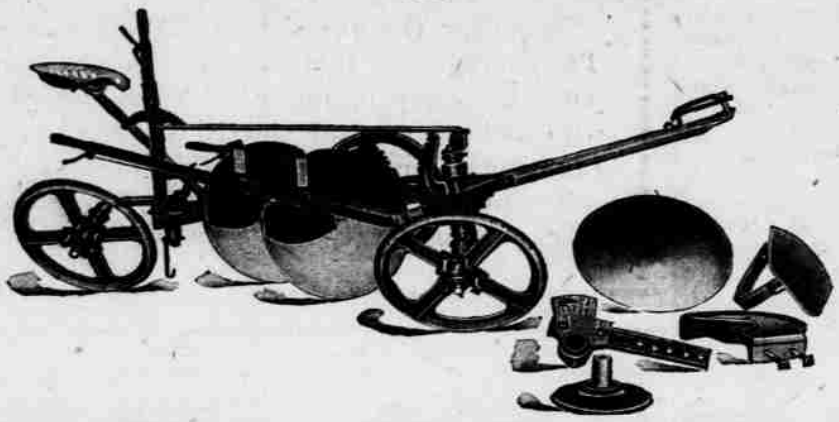


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#### Democratic Mass Conventions.

A mass convention of Edwards county democratic voters is hereby called to meet at the court house in Kinsley on Saturday, July 30, at 2:00 p. m. sharp, for the purpose of electing four delegates and four alternates to attend the state convention to be held at Topeka August 3; and also to elect four delegates to the senatorial convention.

T. H. EVANS,  
Chairman.  
B. F. TATUM,  
Secretary.

At the same time and place as above mentioned it is hereby directed that four delegates and four alternates be selected to attend the democratic congressional convention at Great Bend on August 9.

D. L. HEATH,  
Congressional Committeeman.

The recent reduction of 12 1/2 per cent in the wages of the mill hands at Fall River, Rhode Island, will hardly promote Roosevelt's chances of carrying that state this fall.

William Allen White says that there is no doubt but that every honest man on the republican state ticket will be elected, but he neglects to state how they are to be picked out from the rest of the crowd.

The strike of the packing house employees, which seemed practically settled a week ago, is now more hopeless than ever. The chances favor a general strike and if it comes about meat will be a luxury.

Ex-Mayor Walbridge, of St. Louis, has been nominated by the republicans of Missouri for governor. He has about as much chance of election

as a democratic nominee in the state of Pennsylvania.

E. W. Hoch, republican candidate for governor, in a recent Chataqua address, stated that the ignorant man should not be allowed to vote. Supplement this with the additional republican belief that all are ignorant who do not vote the republican ticket, and the thing is greatly simplified.

The United States supreme court has granted a writ of error in the Burton case and it will probably be heard this fall. We have always contended that the senator would never be punished for his crimes, there are too many others in the same boat. His case will not be heard until after the fall election and then some convenient loop-hole will be found for his escape. It is not that the leaders of his party are unwilling that he should be sacrificed, but it would look bad for the party.

Webb McNall again goes to bat and the republican umpire declares him out. A short time ago the populists of Smith county nominated Webb for county attorney and closed the mouths of republicans who were claiming that he had back-slid to the republicans. Now comes the honorable Webb and declines the nomination and the republican press shouts with one accord: "I told you so." As a matter of fact McNall is the national head of the A. O. U. W. and his time is fully occupied with the duties of his office and he has no time to devote to politics at present. It is safe to say that when his term expires he will have something of interest to say and it will not please the republicans.

The republicans have finally "discovered" Bryan. When he was the standard bearer of his party he was a "wild eyed crank," but now that the leadership has been wrested from his grasp he is the "greatest democrat of them all." Bryan is to-day what he has been for the past eight years, the peer of any man in the nation. The fact of the matter is that he is a great disappointment to the republicans who confidently expected that he would bolt after the St. Louis conven-

tion and disrupt his party. Bryan believes in the rule of the majority and will stand by his party even though the party does not follow the course he believes best, for he doubtless believes that it can not follow any course that will not be better than the one the republicans will follow if continued in power.

The republican papers are pointing with pride to the balance in the state treasury this year and the fact that while the state levy was 6.4 mills last year, this year it will be only 5.2. As a matter of fact this very condition of affairs is proof positive of republican rascality. In a controversy last year Mr. Albaugh stated that the raising of state taxes by the state board of equalization was for the sole purpose of gathering in a half million of dollars that were not needed for the state but solely for the purpose of swelling the fund to be deposited in banks by State Treasurer Kelly that he might draw the interest on this vast sum of public money for his own private gain. Present conditions show that Albaugh was right and that the raising of state taxes last year was a private graft. This year an effort will be made to prove that the lowering of the levy is due to economy in the discharge of public trust. Is the collective public a chump?

The war situation in the east shows the usual Jap gains, during the past week. The Russians are being steadily driven to the north and Port Arthur sees no chance of relief. The siege of the latter place is making but little progress as the Russians still hold the forts although the Japs are steadily closing their grip tighter on the doomed fortress. On the water things are rather quiet. The Vladivostok squadron is scouting off the coast of Japan but finds but little to do. The Jap vessels in front of Port Arthur are doing guard duty and occasionally torpedo a Russian vessel of the lesser type. Both sides seem to be using great care not to risk their large vessels. The action of Russia in taking neutral vessels is causing complications that may involve other nations. It has been suggested that she is trying to get into trouble with England so that she can gracefully retire from the Jap war under pretext of her inability to fight both Japan and England.

The populist and the democratic state conventions will assemble in Topeka next Wednesday to name a state ticket. There seems to be but little doubt but the two conventions will name a joint ticket. Dale, of Wichita, will probably be nominated for governor and J. H. Curran, of Topeka, for secretary of state. Candidates do not seem to be very thick and the chances are in favor of a quiet convention. The question of fusion will be fought out but as the only chance of success lays in combining the opposition to the republicans, it seems probable that there will be but little difficulty in accomplishing this result. Mr. Curran has been secretary of the populist organization for several years and is one of the most popular men in the state. Thoroughly posted and a good mixer he will add strength to the ticket and his nomination will convince the rank and file of the party that fusion is effected in good faith, not for the benefit of pie hunters but in the interest of success in state affairs. Dale will be satisfactory to all as his popularity at home is evidence that he has been a worker in the fusion ranks and at the same time has the confidence of the people regardless of politics.

Chairman Stubbs, of the republican state committee, is a general. He displayed his genius for grasping a situation in making arrangements for the

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